

Town Board Meeting Minutes  
October 11, 2016

Supervisor Stan Hauser called the Town Board Meeting to order on Tuesday October 11, 2016 at 6:31 pm. at the Town of Onalaska Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Road, Onalaska, WI. Present were: Supervisors Stan Hauser, Frank Fogel, Sandy Thompson and Al Steck. Chairman Rolly Bogert, was excused. Sara Kessler was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Supervisor Fogel made a motion to approve the agenda. Supervisor Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes September 13, 2016 Town Board meeting. Supervisor Thompson seconded that motion. Motion passed unanimously. Supervisor Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2016 Special Town Board meeting with noted typos corrected. Supervisor Fogel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the bills and finance book; Supervisor Steck asked about how compensation is being paid for Town Shop employees carrying cell phones and how this was being paid. Supervisor Thompson requested that the issue be added to the November Town Board agenda after further research. Supervisor Thompson inquired about the payments due to the Holmen Area Fire Department for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2016. She requested that further discussion and research be done and added to the November Town Board agenda. Supervisor Fogel made a motion to approve the bills and finance book. Supervisor Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Public Comment

Resident Chris Helgerson of W4914 Sweden Coulee addressed the board with concerns and ideas for refuse pick up. He suggested residents should be responsible for their own trash collection and that the Town provide dates/times each month to staff a drop off site.

#### Shop Supervisor Report

Karl Holtz read for the board the list of items completed, tasks in progress and upcoming.

#### Fire Board Report

Presentation by Holmen Area Fire Department Chief Menches; Chief Menches provided information and updates since he began with the department two months ago. He indicated that there will be an increase in each municipality's share of fees in order to maintain the level of effectiveness and response expected. Supervisor Thompson indicated there will be attention paid to this matter soon with upcoming budget planning meetings.

Presentation by La Crosse County Solid Waste Department Randy Nedrelo; Mr. Nedrelo shared information with the board regarding current and projected usage of the Solid Waste Site on Highway 16. The facility is very well used and has been running at a surplus of funding since it's inception. However, it is projected to change to a deficit and the County Solid Waste Department is surveying the municipalities using it to inquire about a fee increase to cover the

usage deficit. Eight of the 18 municipalities have already agreed to the increase. Supervisor Fogel made a motion to defer the discussion and decision on including the Town of Onalaska in the fee increase until the November Town Board meeting. Supervisor Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on bartender license for Joshua J Lemieux (Petticoat Junction); Motion to approve bartender license for Joshua J Lemieux (Petticoat Junction) made by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Steck. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on removal of interior bay window in south hallway of Town Hall: Due to safety concerns, the bay window will be replaced with a flat pane window. The Town has a bid from Balduzzi Lumber to install a flat pane window for \$698.05. Supervisor Steck made a motion to approve the Balduzzi window installation bid of \$698.05. Supervisor Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion to move upcoming meeting dates to accommodate November 8 presidential election: Supervisor Thompson made a motion to move the Storm Water meeting to October 25, the Plan Commission meeting to October 31 and the November Town Board meeting to November 1. Supervisor Fogel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Plan Commission

Discussion on Certified Survey map for William and Karen Barbee of W6111 Anderson Road, Holmen, WI 54636 Tax Parcel 10-80-1: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Steck to accept the Certified Survey map for William and Karen Barbee of W6111 Anderson Road, Holmen, WI 54636 Tax Parcel 10-80-1. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on zoning change request for William and Karen Barbee of W6111 Anderson Road, Holmen, WI 54636 Tax Parcel 10-80-1 from agriculture to rural residential: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Steck to recommend approval of zoning request for William and Karen Barbee of W6111 Anderson Road, Holmen, WI 54636 Tax Parcel 10-80-1 from agriculture to rural residential. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on adoption of Ordinance to adopt the 'Town of Onalaska Code of Ordinances Adopted 2016' as per Wis. State Stat 66.0103(1) 1 5: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to adopt the 'Town of Onalaska Code of Ordinances Adopted 2016' as per Wis. State Stat 66.0103(1) 1 5. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Correspondence to the Board

Supervisor Thompson relayed that she received a phone call from a resident who had previously complained that the cement trucks for Five Star Concrete were now much more courteous and aware of other traffic, pulling over to allow traffic to pass instead of blocking the roadway near their site.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Steck; seconded by supervisor Thompson: motion passed unanimously at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Sara Kessler, Deputy Town Clerk